



Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

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This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the NSW Police Force Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC), which includes most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai council areas. The eNewsletter is a new type of Neighbourhood Watch; utilising the available technology to keep people more connected and up-to-date with local crime and safety issues.

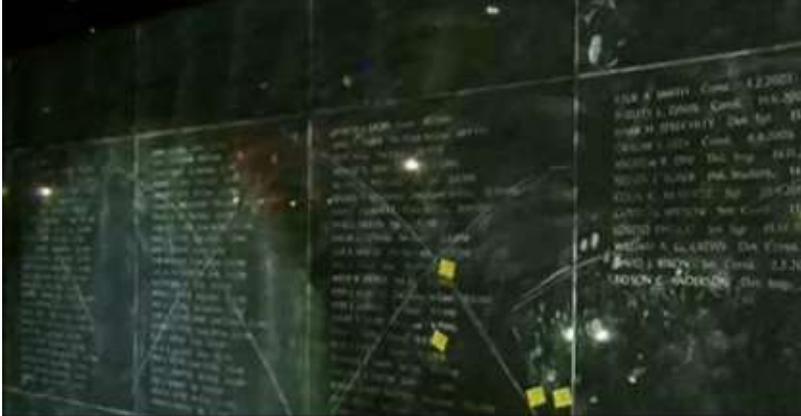
The eNewsletter includes a selection of posts from the Kuring Gai LAC Facebook page [click here](#) (also known as 'eyewatch'), primarily for those not familiar with Facebook. We add anything interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view - this could be a local newspaper article, a roadwork warning, crime prevention tip(s), an upcoming Neighbourhood Watch meeting, Q&As from residents, or an item from an other Police command ("Crooks know no boundaries!"). Have you seen anything we should share with the community? [Click here](#) to email NHW in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

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20 May, NSW Police Legacy: Heartless vandals strike Police Wall of

Remembrance in Sydney's CBD

So disappointing that someone would do this. Our thoughts are with our Police families. This affects all of us.



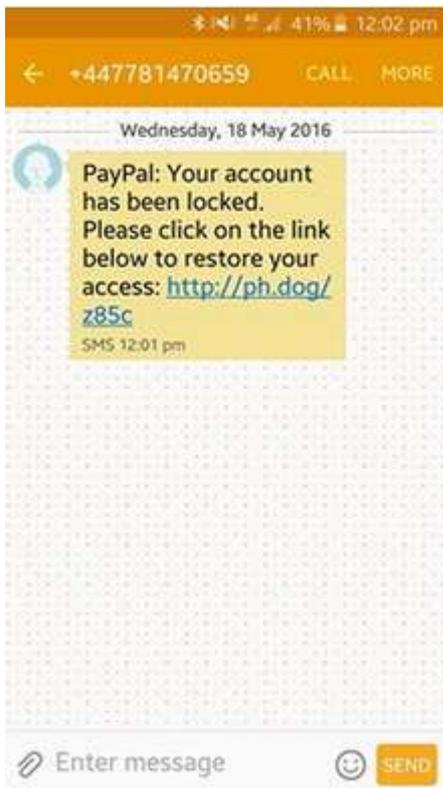
New South Wales Police Commissioner has made another personal plea to the community to help track down a man who desecrated the Wall of Remembrance in The Domain on Saturday.

The NSW Police crest and five panels bearing the names of dead officers on the monument were scratched, with police today saying the damage is worse than originally thought.

“The damage is much more significant than first thought. A total of 28 panels were removed today,” Sydney City Local Area Commander Superintendent David Donohue said in a statement.

Read more [here](#).

18 May, NSW Police Force, Stay Smart Online



Have you received a text like this? It's an SMS scam designed to trick you into clicking on links that will give criminals access to your phone and all of your personal information. Ignore it, don't click and delete! PayPal will never send you texts like this.

[Click here](#) for more.

17 May, NSW Police Force

Scam Alert from the Australian Federal Police - watch out for an email scam circulating claiming to be from the AFP inviting you to attend court.

Remember, the AFP does not send emails requesting court attendance.

It is vitally important that you do not give away any personal details when dealing with this type of email. See more below:

You have been invited to the court

You are invited to the law court by the judge because of offense against the law.

Case: #07717290

Date: 05/05/2016

Please contact nearest police office or [Print out case notices](#).

[Print out notices](#)

You have to provide all the necessary information to the Court within 18 days, starting from the time at which this message was received. If the information is not provided, the court can take place without your participation.

The nature of the AFP and what is required of it, has changed significantly in recent years. The AFP has responded to a rapidly changing environment and this has required a greater focus on national and international operations. The new challenges the AFP faces include counter terrorism, human trafficking and sexual servitude, cybercrime, peace operations, protection and other transnational crimes.

You have the right to request a correction of your personal information under the Privacy Act. The AFP is required to make the corrections.

Click [here](#) for more

17 May, Online Scams Protect Yourself

Do not respond to emails and phone calls from strangers offering predictions on shares, investment tips, or investment advice. Always do your own research before you invest any money and check the company or scheme is licensed on ASIC's MoneySmart website.

17 May, Australian Crime Commission



PRIVACY AWARENESS WEEK

15-21 MAY 2016

Identity crime is among the most common and constantly changing crime types. Criminals exploit technology and our increasing reliance on personal identity information for online services. Protect yourself online—use strong passwords and don't use the same ones across different accounts. See more [here](#)

17 May, NSW Police Force



WANTED!

Name: Ashley TYRELL

Age: 22

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Frequents: Macquarie Park and nearby shopping centres.

Reason: Currently has one outstanding arrest Warrant.

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If you have any information in relation to the whereabouts of this person please contact Gladesville police on 9879 9699 or Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000.

Helping the police help the community ..



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

REPORT FROM THE ROCK-FISHING DAY @ BOBBIN HEAD



A few snaps from today's "Safety when Swimming, Fishing & Boating" Chinese workshop organised by NSW Dept of Primary Industries down at Bobbin Head. Gorgeous weather, well-organised, tons of good information and advice, lovely lunch. Looking forward to the Korean workshop next weekend. Thank you to each of the other organisations that were there today. We all learnt something.

View the [local Kuring-gai police Facebook page here](#). You don't have to know anything about Facebook to have a quick squizzy. The NSW Police - Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) covers most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai suburbs.

Some Crime Stats from from March 2016 for Gordon

INC CATEGORY	FURTHER CLASS	ADDRESS	START DATE	START TIME
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	MCINTYRE ST	3/12/2016	100
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	MCINTYRE ST	3/12/2016	100
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	ST JOHNS AVE	3/21/2016	2300
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	ST JOHNS AVE	3/21/2016	2330
BREAK AND ENTER	BREAK/ENTER AND STEAL	ST JOHNS AVE	3/22/2016	200
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	ST JOHNS AVE && PACIFIC HWY	3/11/2016	2250
ASSAULT	ASSAULT COMMON	WERONA AVE	3/13/2016	1300
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	GLENVIEW ST	3/7/2016	1500
STEALING	OTHER STEAL	MT IDA ST	3/15/2016	1930
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	ST JOHNS AVE	3/21/2016	2300
STEALING	STEAL FROM RETAIL STORE	PACIFIC HWY	3/24/2016	1735
STEALING	STEAL FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	ST JOHNS AVE	3/22/2016	2000
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROP	ST JOHNS AVE && HENRY ST	3/14/2016	700
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	GRAFFITI	PARK AVE	3/18/2016	1930
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	GRAFFITI	ROSEDALE RD	3/18/2016	1900
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROP	PACIFIC HWY	3/18/2016	1800
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	GRAFFITI	ROSEDALE RD	3/18/2016	1800
MALICIOUS DAMAGE	GRAFFITI	PACIFIC HWY	3/24/2016	2000

From Ku-ring-gai Council: Reporting crime in Ku-ring-gai

See the document below for information on how to report crime to Ku-ring-gai Council, the NSW Police Force and other State government departments.

[Reporting crime leaflet \(pdf. 215KB\)](#)

Here are a few tips from "Our 20 Favourite Crime Prevention Tips for the Socially Isolated":

Tip#1. In apartment blocks, only 'buzz in' those people you know, even if they seem trustworthy. Ensure the door shuts behind you.

Tip#2. Know your immediate neighbours - in front, behind and 2 either side. Feel confident to ask your neighbours for help. Buddy with a neighbour - look for the opened curtains signal that all is OK. Consider joining in with your local Neighbourhood Watch - find out more from the Crime Prevention Officer (CPO), **Hornsby Police Station 9476 9799**.

Tip#3. Try and stay connected with your community. Use the network of services

available, such as from your council, or non-government organisations such as The Shed. Some organisations can arrange return transport from your home.

Ku-ring-gai Shed: 9983 9732. Hornsby Shed: 9634 6037. Berowra Shed: 0490 149 262

Tip#4. Consider joining in with the **Safety Home** program - wandering person ID and rapid return program. Contact **Alzheimer's Australia Dementia Hotline 1800 100 500**. fightdementia.org.au

Tip#5. It can be a relief to talk to someone who cares:

Lifeline Crisis0 Support 13 11 14. lifeline.org.au

Tip#9. NSW Elder Abuse Helpline & Resource Unit 1800 628 221. EAHRU provides information, support and referrals relating to the abuse of older people in NSW. Anyone can make the call. elderabusehelpline.com.au

Tip#13. Never accept offers of work from door-to-door tradesmen - Report to Travelling Conman Hotline 1300 133 408. Only use tradies recommended to you, or that you have researched. Supervise them all the time in your home.

Tip#15. Don't give out date of birth, credit card or bank account details, ever!

Tip#16. Don't leave door unlocked when expecting a visitor. Wait until they arrive.

Tip#17. DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR TO STRANGERS! If they require your help in an emergency, offer to phone on their behalf.

[Email us here for your own copy](#) or view/download them and others at our [Neighbourhood Watch in Ku-ring-gai & Hornsby website](#).

From the Hornsby Advocate, 19 May

WAHROONGA

1 A 25-year-old man was punched in the head on the Pacific Hwy near the M1 exit at Wahroonga about 5.55am on Monday. A man described as a Pacific Islander, about 1.8m tall, of solid build with white/grey hair, wearing a yellow fluoro shirt, was driving a Hyundai Getz behind the victim going south on the Pacific Hwy at Waitara. The victim said the Getz followed him closely and signalled to go past. When they stopped at lights, the Getz driver got out of his car and punched the 25-year-old three or four times in the head then drove off. The victim refused to provide a statement but gave the registration of the Getz. Police will follow up the incident.

MOUNT COLAH

7 Cannabis and a bong were allegedly found after police were called to a possible burglary which turned out to be a teenager having his friends over for a few drinks without permission from his mother about 8.30pm on Saturday. Police were called to Binnalong Cres after reports of four boys wearing hooded jumpers running from a home. Police found four boys and a 21-year-old woman nearby acting suspiciously. Police allegedly found cannabis and a bong on the woman who was given a caution. The boys, aged about 15, admitted being at the home but said they fled when their friend's mother returned.

HORNSBY

5 Two dresses, a beanie, a jacket and three purses were stolen from a Cotton On store at Westfield Hornsby between 10am and 10.10am on Sunday. A woman described as mid to late 50s, caucasian with short blonde hair, average build and blue jeans, entered the store. She hid clothes under other items in a trolley before she left without paying. Police are reviewing CCTV footage.

HORNSBY

8 A 25-year-old motorcycle rider was hit by a car at the intersection of George St and Linda St about 5.50pm on Saturday when the driver did not see him. The 25-year-old was taken to hospital with a suspected broken left arm, leg and pelvis but released hours later with no serious injuries. No alcohol was involved and the driver, a 36-year-old man, will get a ticket for not turn right with safety.

ALERT AFTER GIRL APPROACHED

CHILDREN are being urged to be cautious after a 12-year-old girl was approached twice by a man before and after school in Berowra Heights.

Ku-ring-gai police said the girl first saw the man about 3.50pm last Thursday, May 12. She was walking near the intersection of Hillcrest Rd and Koorong St when it is alleged the man approached and spoke to her. She then ran away.

The next day, the girl was on Warrina St when the same man approached and grabbed her clothes.

She ran to school and a teacher called police.

Ku-ring-gai police are investigating.

Police would like to speak to a man of caucasian appearance, aged in his early 20s, about 168cm tall, of slim build and with a pale complexion. He was wearing a black hooded jumper with "chewed strings", black long pants and black shoes.

Parents are also urged to teach their children about the Safe People, Safe Places message. This includes telling children to always inform an adult about where they are, to always walk directly to and from school and to find safe places such as a police station, school or library.

Anyone with information about the incidents should phone Crime Stoppers on [1800 333 000](tel:1800333000).

From The North Shore Times, 20 May

Missing person

MUM'S PLEA FOR HELP TO FIND SON VITALIY, 16



The family of a missing teenager is calling on the public to help them find their missing son. Vitaliy Shepetukhin, 16, went missing from Killara High School on Thursday, May 12, about 2.45pm. His family hold serious concerns for his safety. He was last seen wearing grey pants, a white long sleeve shirt and a green zip jacket featuring his school logo. Vitaliy is of caucasian appearance, 170cm tall, with dark hair and blue eyes. His mother said his disappearance is completely out of character and is appealing to the public to help find her son.

Anyone with any information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers on [1800 333 000](tel:1800333000).

18 May, From the Hornsby Advocate

Rates of robbery, car theft and burglary are less than half those seen 20 years ago in Hornsby. But domestic violence, sex assault and drug possession rates are all up.

18 May, Marine Area Command: NSW Police Force

Staying Safe When Fishing, swimming or Boating
- Mandarin workshop

FREE

Come to discover the fun of fishing and learn how to stay safe when fishing, swimming or boating plus the chance to win some prizes on the day

When: 9:30am - 4:30pm
Sunday 22 May 2018

Where: Orchard Park, Bobbin Head,
Ku-ring-gai National Park

Cost: Free, Lunch provided
Mandarin Interpreters provided

Bookings essential

Sobrina: 0490412588
Yagh-wang@cmrc.com.au

Phone: 9476 9715
shockyou@police.nsw.gov.au

What to bring: Hat, sun protection, swimmer bottle, snacks, rug, suitable enclosed footwear

Attention: Children must be supervised by their parents or guardian during the whole event

NSW Department of Primary Industries, CMRC Community, NSW Police Force, NSW SOUTH WALES, Transport Roads & Maritime Services, Office of Environment & Heritage

Kuring Gai LAC are running workshops for the Chinese and Korean community which relate to 'Staying Safe when Fishing, Swimming or Boating'. They take place on Sunday 22 May and Sunday 29 May at Orchard Park, Bobbin Head, Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park. Bookings are essential. See brochure below for more information on this great initiative.

A warning shared from Fernbank Retirement Village:

Over the past few months, we've had several reports of money being fraudulently taken from bank residents' bank accounts.

Wallets / purses are being stolen, usually from the St. Ives Shopping Centre either by handbags not secured or "pick-pocketed" from back pockets.

Within a short space of time, the resident receives a phone call from someone purporting to be from the security department at their bank.

This person sounds very, very convincing, is articulate, professional, friendly and even makes up a story about the person who supposedly "found the wallet".

The caller will then pretend to escalate the call to the security highest division / fraud department of the bank and an automated voice (sometimes American / sometimes English) will ask you for their PIN number.

Shortly after, funds have been accessed from the IGA at North Turramurra.

This has happened at least 4 times that we know of – always the same routine, and funds always taken from the IGA ATM at North Turramurra

Dates for the Diary:

Sunday 29 May: Fishing Safety Workshop for Korean community @ Bobbin Head 10am-3:30pm With Police/NHW crime prevention stall - [volunteers needed please](#)

Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 June 2016: Ku-ring-gai Council Chemical CleanOut, 9-330pm @ St Ives Showground. [Info](#).

Wednesday 15 June: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Monday 20 June: KPCSC FREE Seminar 'Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers' 6-8pm @ Gordon Library Meeting Room 2. **Book: Carroll 0405 558 660.**

Monday 19 September: KPCSC FREE Seminar 'Parent Survival Strategies for Teaching Young Drivers' 6-8pm @ Gordon Library Meeting Room 2. **Book: Carroll 0405 558**

Monday 26 September: Turramurra NHW meeting @ Turramurra Uniting Church, 8pm.

Monday 03 - Sunday 09 October 2016: NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WEEK

Wednesday 05 October: NHW Roadshow @ Ku-ring-gai Council Chambers. Draft theme - "Bring Back Community!"

From 'Dumbest Criminals, compiled by Wendy Lewis. Published by New Holland.

Two men ordered a couple of pizzas and when the delivery guy arrived, they put a gun to his face. Reacting quickly, the delivery guy threw the pizzas at them, got back in the car and drove off. Police had no problem tracking down the pizza

phoned since they had ordered the pizzas giving their full names, phone number and address.

Important Contacts

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance) 000

Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road (ex-Pacific Hwy), Hornsby 2077

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL) 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: [Kuring Gai LAC](#)

Non-emergency two-way communication

Interpreting & Translating Services 131 450

Never be afraid or embarrassed to report a crime, concern or fear you have to the Police. The Police are here to help you.

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